IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

Sierra Baldwin, et al.)	
Plaintiffs,)	CASE NO. 8:22-cv-2870
V.)	CASE NO. 0.22-07-2070
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY, et al.)))	
Defendants)	

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Comes now Defendant, WMATA, by and through counsel, and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1441, and provides notice of removal of a civil action from the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland. In support of the removal, the Defendant states as follows:

On or about September 23, 2022, Plaintiff filed this action in the District Court for Montgomery County, Maryland, under the caption Sierra Baldwin, et al. v. WMATA, et al., D-06-cv-22-018275.

Defendant Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) was Formally served with process in this action on or about October 14, 2022.

The Summons and Complaint filed in the District Court for Montgomery County, Maryland accompany this Removal.

This is a civil action in which this Court has original jurisdiction under the

WMATA Compact, Public Law 89-774, paragraph 81, approved by Congress on November 6, 1966, as amended, reprinted at Md. Transp. Code Ann. 10-204(81) which provides:

The United States District Courts shall have original jurisdiction, concurrent with the Courts of Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia of all actions brought by or against the Authority and to enforce subpoenas issued under this Title. Any such action initiated in a State or District of Columbia Court shall be removable to the appropriate United States District Court in the manner provided by Act of June 25, 1948, as amended (28 U.S.C. 1446).

Wherefore, Defendant, WMATA, requests that the entire action now pending in the District Court for Montgomery County, Maryland be removed to this Court.

Respectfully Submitted,

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true copy of the foregoing Notice of Removal was served via U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid, this 4th day of November 2022, to:

Duane O. King 1001 L Street, S.E Washington, D.C. 20003

> /s/ Nicholas L. Phucas Nicholas L. Phucas, #25678